

REMARKS


As a preliminary matter, Applicant requests acknowledgement of the IDS filed February 14, 2006. A copy of the Form PTO-1449 filed with the IDS is provided for the Examiner's convenience.

Claims 1-4 and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by JP Patent 54-107752. In response, Applicant has cancelled claim 1, and amended claims 2-4 and 6 to depend from allowed claim 5. For this reason, withdrawal of the §102(b) rejection is respectfully requested.

For all of the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that this Application is in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney if an interview would expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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